



Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Ashburn Station

Quarterly Community Meeting
July 13th, 2022





LOUDOUN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



WELCOME !





Meeting Agenda



- Welcome
- Captain David Hibberd
 - Introductions
 - Station Overview
 - Calls for Service
 - Up and Coming
- Station Sergeant Larry Vermeer
 - Section Overview
 - Community Outreach
 - Significant Cases
- Closing Informational Items





Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Station Populations



Eastern Loudoun Station

Population: 86,781

Ashburn Station

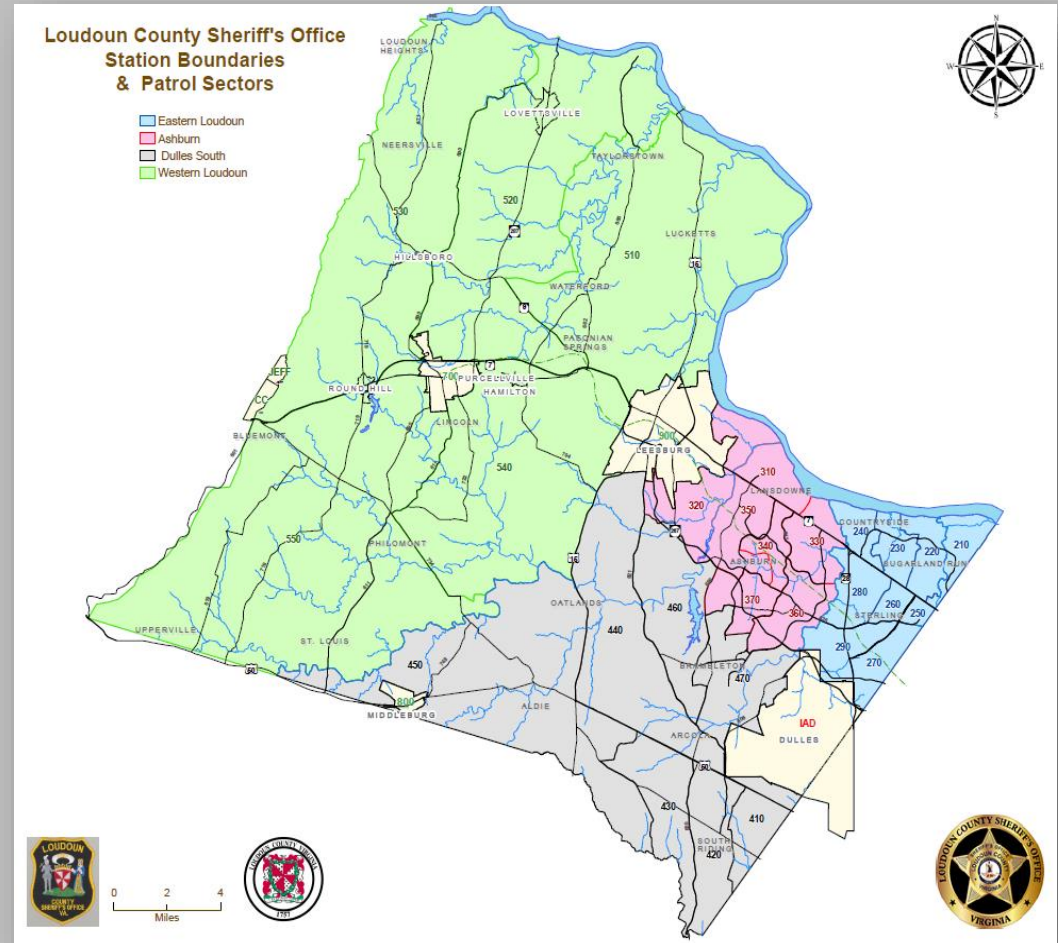
Population: 102,896

Dulles South Station

Population: 131,502

Western Loudoun Station

Population: 54,349



Compiled by: Loudoun County Department of Planning and Zoning, April 2021





Ashburn Station Quarterly Meeting



Mission: The Field Operations Division provides twenty-four-hour pro-active patrol of Loudoun County as well as reactive response to calls for service. It is also responsible for routine traffic enforcement and preservation of crime scene evidence. The patrol shifts are responsible for answering calls for service and general enforcement within the entire county.



Community



Service



Outreach





ASHBURN STATION SECTIONS





Calls For Service Statistics/Traffic Enforcement



Quarterly Calls For Service

April - June 2022

ASHBURN	11,660
COUNTYWIDE	37,105
ASHBURN STATION % OF CALLS	31%

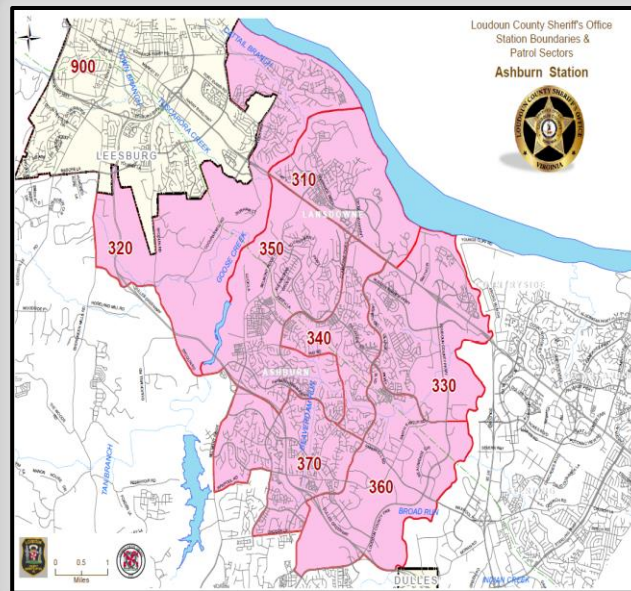
YTD Calls For Service

January - June 2022

ASHBURN	21,482
COUNTYWIDE	73,084
ASHBURN STATION % OF CALLS	29%

Ashburn Station

Population:
102,896



Quarterly Parking & Traffic Enforcement

April - June 2022

PARKING	226
TRAFFIC	1,905
TOTAL	2,131

YTD Parking & Traffic Enforcement

January - June 2022

PARKING	442
TRAFFIC	3,696
TOTAL	4,138





Online Reporting Statistics



Calendar Year 2022

Month	Total Reports	Hours Saved	Cost Savings
January	159	318	\$11,925
February	198	396	\$14,850
March	233	466	\$17,475
April	142	284	\$10,650
May	169	338	\$12,675
June	193	386	\$14,475
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			
Total	1094	2188	\$82,050



Total Reports 2022





What's happening in Ashburn



- LCSO is preparing for the arrival of METRO – Silver Line.
- Coordinating with WMATA, MTPD, FFXPD and OEM.
- Opening Fall 2022



- National Conference Center- Afghan Evacuees
- Federal Government resettlement program





LCSO CRIME PREVENTION UNIT



The Crime Prevention Unit:

- Free security assessments.
- Active threat awareness.
- Residential Security Assessments
- Commercial Security Assessments
- Community Security Assessments
- Neighborhood Watch
- Group Presentations:
 - Fraud & Scam
 - Internet Safety
 - Vaping
 - Active Threat
 - Houses of Worship Safety
 - Realtor Safety
 - Personal Safety
 - And Other Topics



FREE
HOME & BUSINESS

**SECURITY
SURVEYS**



Contact the LCSO
Crime Prevention Unit
for more information
Sheriffs_Crime_Prevention@Loudoun.Gov



Deputy First Class John Miller
Operational Support Division
Crime Prevention Specialist
571-528-1279

John.Miller@Loudoun.gov
Sheriffs_Crime_Prevention@Loudoun.gov





Ashburn Station



Sergeant Larry Vermeer
Ashburn Station Sergeant
Community Resource/Station Detectives
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Community Resource Deputy



Unit Mission:



DFC. Kevin R. Lewis
Community Resource Deputy
Serving Since 2019
(571)528-2169
Kevin.R.Lewis@loudoun.gov

- Develop relationships and partnerships with community members, organizations, and businesses
- Develop solutions for long term problems affecting communities
- Address community concerns
- Flexible schedules to meet service demands
- Work as a station enforcement team with Property Crimes Detectives





Prescription Medication Disposal Ashburn Station



DEA NATIONAL ^{Rx} TAKEBACK

Too often, unused prescription drugs find their way into the wrong hands. That's dangerous and often tragic. That's why it was great to see thousands of folks from across the country clean out their medicine cabinets and turn in - safely and anonymously - a record amount of prescription drugs.

DEA NATIONAL ^{Rx} TAKEBACK

STOLEN
LOST
MISUSED

Keep them safe. Clean them out. Take them back.

Visit DEATakeBack.com for a collection site near you.



- Next Event: Saturday October 29th
10am - 2pm
- Spring 2022: 722 lbs. of medication collected





LCSO Medication Disposal Drop Box



Ashburn Station-

20272 Savin Hill Drive, Ashburn

Dulles South Public Safety Center-

25216 Loudoun County Parkway,
Chantilly

Eastern Loudoun Station-

46620 East Frederick Drive, Sterling

Leesburg Public Safety Center-

65 Plaza Street NE, Leesburg

Shenandoah Building-

102 Heritage Way NE, Leesburg

Western Loudoun Station-

47 W. Loudoun Street, Round Hill



YOU MAY DROP OFF:

- Prescription Medications
- Prescription Patches
- Over the Counter Medications
- Vitamins
- Sample Medications
- Medications for Pets

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT ACCEPTED:

- Needles (Sharps)
- Liquid Medications
- Aerosol Containers
- Inhalers
- Ointments and Lotions
- Medications from Businesses





DMV Connect



9:30am to 3:30pm (By Appointment Only)

www.dmvnow.com/appt

DMV Connect offers:

- ▶ REAL ID
- ▶ Drivers' licenses
- ▶ Identification cards (adult and child)
- ▶ Disabled parking placards
- ▶ Vehicle titles
- ▶ Address changes
- ▶ Vehicle registrations
- ▶ E-ZPass transponders
- ▶ Compliance summaries
- ▶ Transcripts
- ▶ Hunting and fishing licenses
- ▶ Knowledge Testing (at select visits)

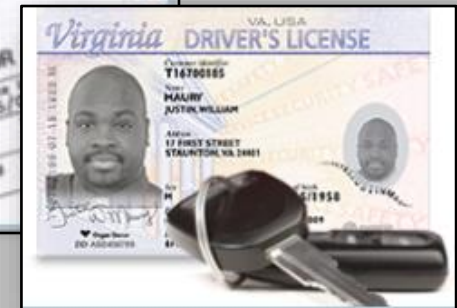
Schedule your appointment with DMV Connect at www.dmvNOW.com/appt.

More than 40 transactions available online at www.dmvNOW.com.

Department of  Motor Vehicles

UPCOMING DATES

- July 21 - 22
- August 18-19
- September 21-23
- October 20-21





Ashburn Station Detectives



Det. Michael Franks
Station Detective
Serving Since 2007

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Det. Jonathan Engler
Station Detective
Serving Since 2015

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Det. Michael Rivera
Station Detective
Serving Since 2016

Michael.Rivera@loudoun.gov





Significant Cases



Larceny from Vehicles



- On June 29th, two suspects removed the catalytic converter from a Toyota Prius.
- Continues to be a nationwide issue. Countywide we have had 104+ since the beginning of the year.
- We continue to see theft from unlocked vehicles and tools stolen from work trucks.
- Please report all thefts and suspicious activity/people.





Larceny of Vehicle Parts



Catalytic Converter Thefts

Thieves target catalytic converters because many contain precious metals, which are then sold to a scrap yard for cash.

What Can You Do?

- When possible, park in well-lit areas and close to building entrances.
- Calibrate your car's alarm to set off when it detects vibration.
- Install an overt video surveillance system and place the camera facing your vehicle.
- If you have a garage at your house, park your car inside and keep the garage door shut.
- Have the catalytic converter welded to your car's frame or attach a security device.
- Engrave your vehicle identification number (VIN) on the catalytic converter.



Report suspicious activity to your local law enforcement agency.



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Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency: 703-777-1021





SIGNIFICANT CASES



Larceny of Firearms

- Complainant reported firearms missing after homeowner had contractors (movers, painters, cleaners, electrical) at their residence.
- Please retain your serial #'s so we can enter them as stolen, and secure them in a safe place, for example, a safe attached to the floor.



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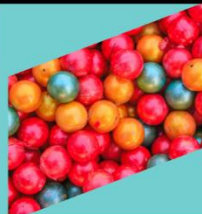
TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT...

Air-Powered Guns Splatter Guns Paintball Guns Pellet Guns Airsoft Guns BB Guns

There is a dangerous social media challenge that encourages shooting strangers with water beads, paintballs, pellets, bb's, etc. These beads, balls, pellets, etc., can cause **SERIOUS** injuries, **SERIOUS** property damage, and result in some very **SERIOUS CRIMINAL CHARGES**.

In many instances, these air guns are painted to resemble real functioning firearms.

We encourage parents to discuss the dangers and consequences of this type of activity with their children.



Orbeez Projectile Gun

- Nationwide TikTok challenge - 3 persons assaulted with an Orbeez projectiles.
- We mentioned nationwide incidents at last Quarterly Meeting. Since that time, suspects have been identified and charged.





Reminder | Safety Tips



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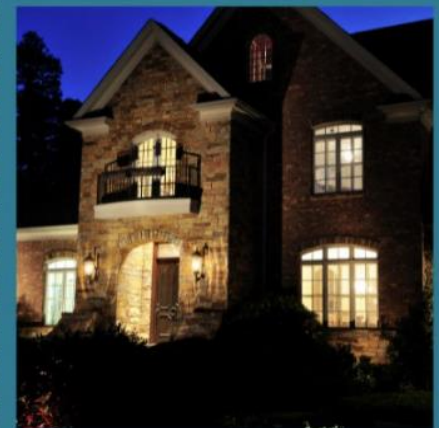
- Remove valuables from vehicle.
- Lock vehicle doors.
- Close and lock garage door & all outbuildings.
- Lock the door between the garage and your residence.
- Close and lock all exterior doors.
- Turn on all exterior lights.



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Safely Secure All Firearms * Not in Vehicles





Reminder | Safety Tips



IRS SCAM

As if tax time wasn't stressful enough, you also have to worry about scammers claiming to be from the IRS.

Things the IRS WILL NOT do...
(from our friends at the IRS)

- Initiate contact with taxpayers by email, text messages or social media channels to request personal or financial information.
- CALL to demand immediate payment using a specific payment method such as a prepaid debit card, gift card or wire transfer. Generally, the IRS will first mail a bill to any taxpayer who owes taxes.
- Demand that you pay taxes without the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe. You should also be advised of your rights as a taxpayer.
- Threaten to bring in local police, immigration officers or other law-enforcement to have you arrested for not paying. The IRS also cannot revoke your driver's license, business licenses, or immigration status. Threats like these are common tactics scam artists use to trick victims into buying into their schemes.

Beware of Scammers

- Scammers are convincing!
- Scammers will ask you to purchase gift cards, cash app money, send money through a wire service, or use Bitcoin to pay for bills, settle an arrest warrant, upgrade your computer, sign up for a utility service, etc.
- Scammers are clever and will pretend to be a company or your bank. They even using spoofed phone numbers to make them look official.
- Scammers will email or text you a link to gain access or place a virus on your device. Do not click on any unsolicited links.
- Scammers will rush you into making a decision and will often call numerous times.



If you have a group and would like a fraud & scam presentation, scan the QR code or contact the LCSO Crime Prevention Unit @
Sheriff_Crime_Prevention@loudoun.gov

HIT DELETE on phony texts



HEARTSTRING SCAM

Have you seen posts like this on your social media community & group pages?

Delete if not allowed this is embarrassing but does anybody have any work that needs to be done that I could possibly earn some gas money so I can make it to work this week? If anybody has anything please DM me thank you. Please no rude comments I've had the worst week of my life just wanna put it in the past thank you again. I don't want to ask for a hand out so that's why I'm asking for any side jobs.

30 Comments



Comment Send

These types of scams pull at your heartstring and make you want to help. The scammer hopes that people will send them money or gift cards.

A couple of ways to determine if the person is a scammer.

- The person has never posted in the group before.
- The person has a very limited social media profile or appears to have a new account.

What can you do?

- Instead of sending money, refer the person to local organizations that can provide assistance. Loudoun County has many great organizations.
- Contact the admin of the social media page and make them aware.

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Altered Mufflers

Following the most recent session of the Virginia General Assembly, a bill was passed to amend and reenact the Virginia Code that returns the enforcement of Improper Exhausts by a law enforcement officer as a primary offense. The new law took effect on July 1, 2022, and replaces the March 2021 law restricting law enforcement's ability to conduct traffic stops for this equipment violation (making it a secondary offense).

Virginia law § [46.2-1049](#) continues to require exhaust systems to be in good working order “and in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual levels of noise.” Violations are punishable by a fine of no more than that provided for a Class 4 misdemeanor.



What is the difference between a primary and secondary offense? A primary offense is a traffic violation, that on its own, law enforcement establishes reasonable suspicion to make a traffic stop. A secondary offense is a violation that law enforcement can observe, but not pull over unless the officer observes a primary offense.





Stay Connected



- Inform You of Public Safety Matters Directly Impacting Your Community
- Get to Know your Local Deputy
- Report a Crime or File a Traffic Complaint
- Receive Resident Feedback
- Stay in the 'Loop' about Crime & Safety Issues in Your Community
- Real time Alerts





Safe2Talk App



Have you downloaded

Safe2Talk?

Safe2Talk is a free app that allows students, parents, teachers, and residents the ability to anonymously report safety concerns in our schools, including suspicious or threatening social media activity. Search Safe2Talk LCSO in the App Store or Google Play to download.



If you see or hear something, say something

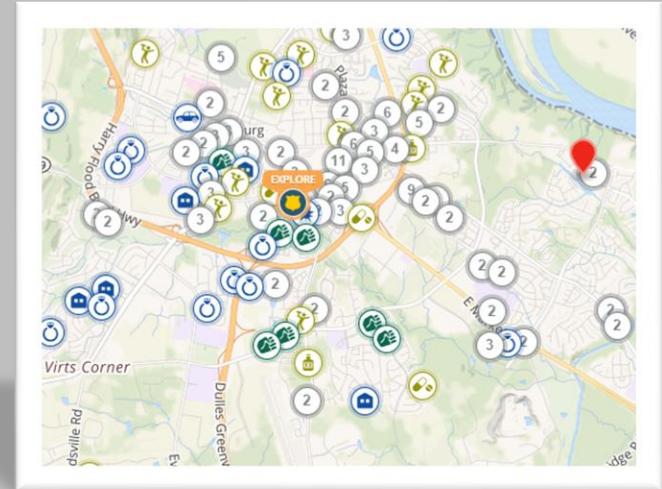




CityProtect



The LCSO uses CityProtect as an online mapping and analysis service that combines the value of law enforcement data with the ease of use of Google-based mapping and an analytics module so that members of the public can view police data in a high-impact map or summary descriptive format.



Many residents have asked about the option to register their security camera at CityProtect.com. Registration is 100% voluntary and does not provide the law enforcement with direct access to your security system/camera. Your personal information will be kept confidential by the LCSO and registration information will only be accessed by law enforcement if there is a criminal incident that was possibly captured by your security camera. LCSO detectives or deputies may request a copy of any video captured by your camera, if it may assist in the investigation of a crime.





my.VDOT.Virginia.gov



Northern Virginia District Office
14685 Avion Parkway
Chantilly, Virginia 20151
703-383-2000
www.VirginiaDOT.org

Work Requests

Just submit a [work request](#) or
call 800-367-ROAD (7623)

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Go to www.virginiadot.org

How can we help you?

- ☐ I need a road repaired
- ☐ I need something removed from a road
- ☐ I need signs, signals, or guardrail repaired
- ☐ I need new signs or traffic devices installed
- ☐ I have a question or need information
- ☐ I want to submit a claim (includes mailbox damage)

Note: VDOT does not maintain roads in cities, towns, or in Henrico and Arlington counties, except for interstates and major primary roads. Please submit a separate report for each request. If your request is related to a road hazard that needs immediate attention, please call 1-800-367-7623 (FOR-ROAD). For emergencies, please dial 911.

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Check service request status

What's your service request number?

Check your status

Traffic Information

511 offers real-time traffic info. Anytime you need it, anywhere you are.

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- High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Systems
- Current Opportunities
- Consider a Career at VDOT
- Manuals, Guides and Instructional & Informational Materials
- Current Opportunities
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- High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes - Rules and FAQs

Questions? Comments? - Google Chrome

www.virginiadot.org/info/feedbackform.aspx

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Virginia Roads

Use this form to report a road problem or request maintenance work. Please use this form and someone will respond as soon as possible.

To report a road problem or request maintenance work, use the myVDOT page or call 800-FOR-ROAD (800-367-7623).

Name: [Text Field]

E-mail address: [Text Field]

Confirm e-mail address: [Text Field]

Email subject: [Text Field]

City or county: [Select]

Comments: [Text Area]

Before submitting this form, please type the characters displayed above:

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Thank you for your continued support !



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